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REMARKS

This amendment and election is submitted in response to the Requirement to Restrict of April 18, 2006. In the Requirement to Restrict the Examiner has taken the position that claims 11-14, 16-17 19 (Invention I) are drawn to a chorismate pyruvate lyase expression cassette classified in Class 800, subclass 298. Claims 15 and 18 (Invention II) are said to be drawn to a chimeric protein classified in Class 530, subclass 370.

Applicants' election without traverse to prosecute claims 11-14, 16-17 19 (Invention I). Claims 15 and 18 are hereby sought to be canceled. Applicants also amended claim 19 due to an error independency based on a canceled claim. Applicants assert that no new matter has been added by way of the amendments herein. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the amendments be entered.

Applicants believe that a full and complete reply has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

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